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SUBJ: US 200-MILE FISHERIES LEGISLATION

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1. IN CONVERSATION DECEMBER 13, GCOB MINEXTAFF PERMSEC RUSSELL RAISED SUBJECT LEGISLATION WITH EMBOFF. RUSSELL'S INTEREST SPECIFICALLY SPARKED BY ARTICLE IN DECEMBER 12 NASSAU EVENING NEWSPAPER WHICH JUXTAPOSED AND GARBLED TWO WIRE SERVICE REPORTS, ONE ON IMPLEMENTATION OF US CONTINENTAL SHELF FISHERIES LEGISLATION BY BOSTON COAST GUARD OFFICE, THE OTHER ON SENATE PASSAGE OF SUBJECT LEGISLATION IN SUCH A WAY AS TO SUGGEST TO HASTY READER THAT US WAS IMPLEMENTING A 200-MILE FISHERIES ZONE. RUSSELL HAD ALREADY RECEIVED ONE INQUIRY AS TO HOW SUPPOSED 200-MILE IMPLEMENTATION WOULD AFFECT BAHAMAS.

2. EMBOFF EXPLAINED STATUS OF SUBJECT LEGISLATION, TO RUSSELL'S EVIDENT INTEREST AND RELIEF. HE ASKED WHETHER LEGISLATION ESTIMATED TO COMPLETE PASSAGE DURING NEXT SESSION OF CONGRESS BEFORE LOS CONFERENCE RESULTS PRODUCED. EMBOFF SAID

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HE HOPED CONFERENCE WOULD BE SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED BEFORE

LEGISLATIVE ISSUE BECOMES PRACTICAL PROBLEM. RUSSELL SAID IN PASSING THAT HE "GUESSED" THAT ANY EVENTUAL 100-MILE ZONES WOULD BE DETERMINED BY DRAWING MEDIAN LINES BETWEEN U.S. AND BAHAMAS, BUT EMBOFF DID NOT RESPOND. RUSSELL SYMPATHIZED WITH DEPARTMENT'S POSITION, AS HE VIEWED IT, "CAUGHT IN THE MIDDLE" OF COMPETING FISHERIES INTERESTS WITHIN US. HE JOKED THAT "THOSE EAST COAST CONGRESSMEN MAKE MY LIFE EASIER" BY BROADENING GCOB OPTIONS THROUGH EXAMPLES SUCH AS SUBJECT LEGISLATION.

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